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SPAWAR's Top Space Officer Promoted

Rear Adm. See to Assume PEO Space Systems Position This Year

CHANTILLY, Virginia – Victor C. See Jr., SPAWAR's Space Field Activity Commander, was promoted to Rear Admiral (lower half) during a ceremony held at the National Reconnaissance Office's (NRO) J.D. Hill Auditorium June 3.

Since August 2004, See has concurrently served as the NRO's Director of Communications Systems Acquisition and Operation Directorate and as SSFA Commander. See will also be designated as the Navy's Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Space Systems later this year. PEO Space Systems is responsible for overseeing the Navy's LEASAT, UHF Follow-on, and Mobile User Objective Systems programs as directed by the Communications Satellite Program Office. PEO Space Systems also coordinates with PEO C4I and Space for space terminal acquisitions and funding.

"Our vision is to operationalize space systems for the Navy warfighter," said See. "Achieving this vision will require that we develop a world-class cadre of Navy space professionals, create a robust space program that fills Navy warfighting requirements, develop partnerships, leverage non-Navy space capabilities, develop processes to enhance space technology and its warfighter applications, and ensure leadership support for emerging space technology and resulting products."

See is a 1980 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He received his Naval Aviator Wings in 1981 and was selected as an Aerospace Engineering Duty Officer in 1985.

"PEO Space Systems and SSFA must enable the Navy to execute successful combat operations in the Global War on Terror and continue toward maturing the Navy's Sea Power 21 concepts and joint military interdependence," See added.

The SPAWAR Enterprise and PEO Space Systems (http://enterprise.spawar.navy.mil)
PEO Space Systems, headquartered in Chantilly, Va., provides naval space and warfare expertise to develop superior and affordable space systems in support of naval, joint and combined operations.

Headquartered in San Diego, SPAWAR's Office of the Chief Engineer designs the architecture and standards for FORCEnet, the Navy's vision for network centric warfare and an essential element of the Chief of Naval Operations Sea Power 21 philosophy. SPAWAR's organizational partners - the Program Executive Office (PEO) C4I and Space, PEO Space Systems, PEO Information Technology and Director, NMCI - acquire, align and field more than 100 C4I programs and projects to help make FORCEnet a reality. Together, the commands lay the foundation for dramatic increases in current and future readiness while simultaneously implementing FORCEnet and a new era in warfighting capabilities.

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